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Joe is also involved with numerous professional and civic associations, and currently serves as President of CFCS, Straight & Narrow, the Father English Multi-Purpose Community Center. He is a member of the New Jersey Chapter of the American Red Cross, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (Passaic County), the Association for Special Children & Families, and the West Milford Board of Education.

Joe is married and is the father of three children.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that you join me, our colleagues, and Joe's family and friends, in recognition of Joseph F. Duffy's many outstanding and invaluable contributions to our society.

**HONORING MRS. BETTY WILHELM FOR HER SERVICE TO THE COFFEE COUNTY DEMOCRATIC PARTY AND CONGRATULATING HER FOR BEING AWARDED THE TITLE OF "MRS. DEMOCRAT"**

### **HON. BOB CLEMENT**

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, February 24, 1998*

Mr. CLEMENT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Mrs. Betty Wilhelm for her service to the Coffee County democratic party and congratulating her for being awarded the title of "Mrs. Democrat."

The honor of being chosen Mrs. Democrat stems from life-time support of the party, dedication to the democratic process and an unceasing energy for volunteerism.

Mrs. Democrat, Betty Wilhelm, is a native of Coffee County and a dedicated servant for the Democratic Party. Any time she is called, she is available to help, most of the time behind the scenes. She does not offer her assistance in order to get publicity; instead, Mrs. Wilhelm chooses to work quietly, but enthusiastically.

Mrs. Wilhelm has received a number of awards in her 26-year capacity as a teacher at Coffee County New Union School. In 1974, she was named "Outstanding Young Educator" by the Kiwanis Club, and in 1996, she was named Coffee County 4-H Teacher/leader. She is listed in "Who's Who in America."

Mrs. Wilhelm's honors don't always come in the form of awards. She is active in community volunteerism, in her church and serves on the board of directors of the Arrowheads to Aerospace Museum. She has been active in several Democratic campaigns, working to ensure that Democratic candidates are elected.

This committed citizen embodies the kind of energy, enthusiasm and dedication that we should all strive for. Mrs. Wilhelm is a grassroots campaigner who works to get voters out on election day. Because of her work, and the work of people like her, Coffee County has not gone Republican for many years.

I congratulate Betty Wilhelm on her lifetime achievement award and I commend her for her years of commitment.

### **CONGRATULATING THE GIRL SCOUTS OF APALACHEE BEND**

### **HON. ALLEN BOYD**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, February 24, 1998*

Mr. BOYD. Mr. Speaker, I am proud to congratulate twelve outstanding young women from the Girl Scout Council of the Apalachee Bend who were honored with the Girl Scouts of the United States of America Gold Award. Linda F. Brown, Cheryl Leigh Collins, Katie Copeland, Lucy Donnellan, Elizabeth Fraser, Amber Lanier, Ashley Luten, Antonia McDonald, Francesca Simmons, Jessica Stewart, Patricia Welch, and Jennifer E. Weldon have now become a part of the elite few who have earned the highest achievement award in Girl Scouts, the Gold Award.

This prestigious award symbolizes outstanding accomplishments in the areas of leadership, community service, career planning, and personal development. I hope that they each will share with their communities the knowledge and experience they gained throughout their years as Girl Scouts.

On behalf of the citizens of North Florida, I want to express my appreciation for the patriotism and dedication of these young women and confidence in their leadership and ability to guide our communities to a brighter tomorrow.

### **IN HONOR OF THE DETROIT SHOREWAY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION**

### **HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, February 24, 1998*

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor the accomplishments of the Detroit Shoreway Community Development Organization on its 25th anniversary of service to the Cleveland community.

The Detroit Shoreway Community Development Organization prides itself on establishing close relations with members of the Cleveland community to promote neighborhood development. During the organization's tenure, numerous neighborhoods throughout Cleveland have seen the positive effects of Detroit Shoreway's work. By cooperating with community leaders, civic groups, and Cleveland citizens, the Detroit Shoreway Community Development Organization has accomplished its goal of developing successful neighborhood improvements in the Cleveland area.

My fellow colleagues, join me in saluting the Detroit Shoreway Community Development Organization on their 25th anniversary of promoting successful economic development for Cleveland neighborhoods.

### **CELEBRATING THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE INDEPENDENCE EXAMINER**

### **HON. KAREN MCCARTHY**

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, February 24, 1998*

Ms. MCCARTHY of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I am honored today to rise on behalf of former President Harry Truman's home town daily newspaper, "The Examiner" which is celebrating its 100th anniversary. "The Examiner's" reflective motto for the celebration "proud past, exciting future" is certainly appropriate. Having been founded on February 19, 1898 as "The Jackson Examiner" by Colonel William Southern, Jr., "The Examiner" serves eastern Jackson County, Missouri as a daily newspaper. With a rich heritage of journalism, the newspaper captures the essence of life in former President Harry Truman's home community.

"The Examiner" maintains an operating philosophy which "counts the day lost when you or your company has not done something to benefit the community it serves." The newspaper staff is committed to sound Midwestern principles and dedicated to serving its readers. "The Examiner" as we know it today has evolved into a pillar in the community during its century of service to Jackson County. Now celebrating its 100th year in business, "The Examiner" also celebrates its first year of being on-line with interactive journalism.

The publication has been led since 1986 by publisher Ben F. Weir, Jr. who through his leadership has continued to ensure that "The Examiner" remains on the cutting edge of journalism. Currently held by Morris Communications Corporation of Augusta, Georgia, "The Examiner" publishes daily news in the greater Independence and Blue Springs areas of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, our community is fortunate to have the commitment and leadership of the Weir family, as well as other dedicated publishers like Colonel Southern and former co-publisher Frank Rucker, who remain committed to communicating the news of the day and serving their community. It is with great pride that I salute "The Examiner" on 100 years of success. On Thursday, February 19, 1998 I have the distinct honor of joining "The Examiner" family in celebrating their 100th anniversary.

### **1998 CONGRESSIONAL OBSERVANCE OF BLACK HISTORY MONTH**

SPEECH OF

### **HON. JOHN F. TIERNEY**

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, February 11, 1998*

Mr. TIERNEY. Mr. Speaker, while we celebrate the many accomplishments and contributions that African Americans have brought to our diverse country this month, I would like to bring to the attention of my colleagues an individual whose spiritual faith and dedication to inner-city children has been an inspiration to many.

Rev. Walter Murray graduated from Harvard School of Divinity in 1986 and for the past eight years, has been Pastor at Zion Baptist